

An estimate of the extent of the educational work which is being accomplished by our women can be drawn from the following statistics, issued by the Commissioner of Education for 1890-'91, of the common schools in those States containing the highest per cent. of colored teachers:

1890-'91.

STATES.	PUPILS ENROLLED IN THE COMMON SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS, COLORED.	
	COLORED.	MALE.	FEMALE.
Alabama	118,712	1,496	812
Arkansas	63,830	862	270
Delaware	5,602	54	45
District of Columbia	14,147	40	225
Florida*	37,342	403	282
Georgia*	150,702	1,290	1,208
Kentucky	54,125	586	650
Louisiana	49,671	500	301
Maryland	34,796	217	491
Mississippi	173,378	1,835	1,377
Missouri*	34,622	304	418
North Carolina	115,812	1,370	988
South Carolina	116,535	958	664
Tennessee	105,458	992	753
Texas	104,512	1,639	914
Virginia	123,579	928	1,080
West Virginia	6,428	93	91
Total	1,309,251	13,567	10,497

* Teachers in Florida, Georgia and Missouri classified according to U. S. census.

Out of the total 24,064 teachers in the common schools of these States, as given in the preceding table, 43 per cent., in round numbers, or about one-half of the entire teaching force, are women, and then we have not taken into account the private and denominational schools,